



PROPOSAL EVALUATION

IRWM Grant Program – Local Groundwater Assistance, FY 2012-2013

Applicant	Shasta County Water Agency	County	Shasta
Project Title	Groundwater Management Plan for the North Fork Battle Creek Basin	Grant Request	\$ 75,000.00
		Total Project Cost	\$ 122,000.00

Project Description: The Project establishes a groundwater management plan for the North Fork Battle Creek groundwater basin (5-50) and improves the existing groundwater elevation monitoring program.

Evaluation Summary:

Scoring Criterion	Score
GWMP or Program	3
Technical Adequacy of Work to be Performed	4
Work Plan	6
Budget	4
Schedule	3
QA/QC	4
Past Performance	1
Geographical Balance	0
Total Score	25

- **GWMP or Program:** Applicant is submitting an application to obtain funding to prepare a GWMP. The plan is scheduled for adoption by May 6, 2014.
- **Technical Adequacy of Work to be Performed:** Criterion for the project description is addressed, but not thoroughly documented. Project description lacks a strong argument for why the project is needed. The application does not satisfactorily support that a definite and achievable quantity of new knowledge and improvement in groundwater management will be obtained. The long term-need and merit of the project is not well linked to the application. The benefits of the project are not well linked to the GWMP.
- **Work Plan:** The criterion for the work plan is less than fully addressed and documentation is incomplete. The lack of deliverables and a project/grant management task prevents a sound strategy for evaluation progress and performance from being presented in the application. The compliance with CEQA is not adequately explained.
- **Budget:** The criterion for the budget is fully addressed, but additional documentation is needed. Additional documentation identifying how the budget was derived and how an hourly rate of approximately \$100/hr was derived is not included. Assumptions are clearly identified, source of funding is clear, and approach to creating the budget is clear.
- **Schedule:** The criterion for the schedule is less than fully addressed and is not thoroughly documented. The lack of a schedule narrative prevented the applicant from providing a basis for the schedule, indicate the readiness to proceed once funding is available, and how any obstacles will be overcome.
- **QA/QC:** The criterion for the QA/QC is addressed, but not fully documented. A qualified staff member will oversee the development of the GWMP, as well as the Technical Advisory Committee which has a breadth of background relating to the subjects within the GWMP. However, no assurances are provided to guarantee of a diverse TAC and there is no strong link made between the QA/QC procedures and the objectives of the proposal.
- **Past Performance:** The criterion for the applicant's past performance is minimally addressed and not documented. Applicant did not mention any level of past performance related to any portion of the work plan.